Good News for Homemakers

Keeping a clean bathroom

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Hints for a Clean Bathroom

For cleaning the bathroom, use a mixture of peroxide and cream of tartar for an extremely stained tub. This is an ideal mixture for an old bathtub. Make a paste and scrub vigorously with a small brush and rinse thoroughly. If the stain persists, spread the cream of tartar, peroxide mixture over the stains and apply a drop or two of household ammonia. Allow to set two hours before scrubbing. For very old porcelain stains, shave a bar of Naphtha soap into a bucket of hot water and add ½ cup of mineral spirits. Stir to dissolve the soap. Then brush on the stain vigorously. Rinse and your stain should be removed.

Light stains can often be removed by simply rubbing with a cut lemon. For dark stains, and especially rust, rub with a paste of Borax and lemon juice. To brighten up a bathtub which is yellowed, rub with a solution of salt and turpentine. This is a simple mixture and not a costly one.

Some of you have been asking about how to remove bathtub decals. Soak decals in mineral spirits, then scrape away. Spray down with a spray cleanser and rub with the abrasive side of a sponge. Wax the entire tub, tile and faucets with Turtle Wax. It will shine like new. Turtle Wax is an excellent cleaner and refinisher. Rub in Turtle Wax well with a soft cloth and let stand for a few minutes. Do not let it dry. Polish with a clean cloth or buff with an electric buffer. Your bathroom will gleam. A nylon net scrubby or old nylon stockings are excellent for polishing.

If your shower head is clogged, try boiling it in ½ cup vinegar and 1 quart water for 15 minutes. For plastic shower heads, soak in equal amounts of hot vinegar and water. They will be clean like new.

Ceramic tile is always a challenge for the homemaker when she is doing her spring cleaning. Before you start cleaning the walls or tiles, run the shower for a while with the hottest tap water available. Dirt loosens by steam and will come off faster. For light jobs, wash with a solution of ½ cup ammonia and ½ cup white vinegar, ¼ cup washing soda and 1 gallon of warm water. For extensive stains, make a paste of baking soda and bleach. Then scrub with a small brush. This will remove the stains in the grouting. Rinse thoroughly. For a shower stall that is used frequently, you will get a stall film on it. This is especially true if you have hard water. Rub gently with a plain piece of dry, fine steel wool, not the soap filled variety. Try a patch first to be sure it isn't scratching a tile. If it is, you should use a finer piece of steel wool, such as 4 0000. As you scrub the tile, you can see the scum coming right off. Wash down thoroughly after the job is completed. Word of caution–Do not use this method if you have a plastic molded shower stall. There are special instructions that came with your shower stall for cleaning. I have found that a plexiglass scraper such as used to clean ice off of a windshield is a very handy tool in cleaning a moldy shower stall.

Homemakers, it is always a pleasure to hear from you and to help you. If you have a homemaking question or problem, you may call us at 352-8244 or write us at P. O. Box 488, Appomattox, Va. 24522.

ANNOUNCEMENT: You will be interested in knowing that 381 persons were screened in the RISK0 Program last weekend. We are most pleased that we had 18 volunteer nurses and homemakers helping with the screening program. It was a most successful one and we plan to do it again. If you are interested, let us know.

Have a good week, homemakers!

Recipe of the week
Mildred's Cheese Danish
Coffee Braid

2 packages yeast (dissolved in ½ cup warm water)
6 tablespoons sugar
2 sticks margarine (½ lb.)
3 eggs
1 small carton sour cream (1 cup)
5 cups flour

Mix yeast and water, add sugar. Cream together margarine, eggs and sour cream. Add flour and yeast mixture.

Cover and refrigerated overnight. Next day divide dough into 4, 6 or 8 parts (I make 8), depending on how large you want to make your braid. Roll on floured surface into a rectangle, place on greased cookie sheet.

Cheese Filling

3-8oz. packages cream cheese (softened)
3 egg yolks
7 ½ tablespoons sugar
3 teaspoons vanilla

Beat ingredients well with mixer, then spoon the filling down the center of each dough rectangle. With knife cut dough along both sides of filling into 1 inch wide strips.

Fold strips from side to side at a criss–cross angle over filling. Cover with wax paper and let raise in a warm place for about an hour.

Bake at 325° for about 15 minutes or until slightly brown around the edges.

Glaze

1 box powdered sugar
Juice from 1 lemon

4 tablespoons orange juice (may take a little more, make it thin enough to spread)
3 tablespoons butter
1 tablespoon vanilla

Mix ingredients and frost braids while warm.

*Braids may be frozen (wrap in plastic bag), thaw and heat in 300° oven for about 5 minutes.

Many thanks to Mildred Sellers, a friend in Henrico County, who shared this delicious pastry with us.

ASCS Today

Increases cited

By TOM CONRAD

Interest Rate, Down Payment Increased On Storage Loans - Recent changes in the farm facility loan program increased the minimum down payment, raised the interest rate, decreased the maximum loan amount and lowered the repayment term on new loans.

The program provides loans to farmers to help them buy, build or remodel on-farm storage facilities and to obtain drying and handling equipment.

To help cut Federal spending, ASCS lowered the maximum loan limit from $100,000 to $50,000. The cash down payment was increased from 15 to 25 percent and the interest rate was raised from 12½ to 14½ percent. The agency also shortened the previous 8-year repayment term to five years.

These changes will not apply to facility loans already in effect. The 14½ percent interest rate is also applicable to 1981 crop loans.

Storage needs will be based on one year's production instead of two years as before. All existing storage space will be considered in determining storage capacity. In the past, space already in use to store grain under the farmer-owned grain reserve was not counted in figuring storage needs.

Changes in the farm facility loan program are expected to save the federal government about $29 million for the remainder of fiscal year 1981 and $145 million for fiscal 1982.

Annual Meeting Date Set By Flue Tobacco Co-Op - Billy W. Hill, President of Flue-Cured Tobacco Cooperative Stabilization Corporation, and Fred G. Bond, the CO-OP's General Manager, jointly announced today that the 35th Annual Membership Meeting of the CO-OP will be held May 29, 1981, at the Kerr Scott Pavilion, located at the N. C. State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, N. C. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m., and adjourn around 12:00 noon. A complimentary barbecue lunch will be served to all in attendance.

This year's featured speaker, according to Hill, will be U. S. Senator John P. East, freshman senator from Greenville, N. C. Although Senator East has been in Washington only a short time, he is very knowledgeable about the overall tobacco program and is a strong advocate of tobacco growers.

Senator East is a native of Springfield, Illinois. He is a graduate of Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana, where he played tackle on the college football team and was a member of the debating team.

Upon graduation from college, Senator East served as a Lieutenant in the U. S. Marine Corps from 1953 to 1955. He then entered the University of Illinois College of Law, receiving his law degree in 1959. He practiced law in Florida for one year, returning afterwards to college to earn his Masters and Doctorate Degrees in political science at the University of Florida. In 1964, upon completing his graduate work, Senator East acquired a position as a professor at East Carolina University in Greenville, N. C. There he taught political science for sixteen years before being elected Senator from North Carolina in November of 1980.

The program will also include the Annual Report by President Hill and the Operational Report by General Manager Fred G. Bond.

ACVRS responds to 44 calls

Volunteer members of the Appomattox County Rescue Squad responded to a total of 44 calls during the month of April. In doing so they traveled a total of 2,024 miles and spent 197.35 manhours. Two people were monitored on the EKG machine in route to the hospital and one person required oxygen.

A breakdown of the calls is as follows - heart attacks, 4; chest pains, 3; abdominal pains, 3; auto wrecks 3; convulsions, 3; pain in legs, 2; geriatric, 2; burns, 2; transports, 10; strokes, 2; att: suicide, 1; hemmeroids, 1; abdominal blockage, 1; breathing diff., 1; falls, 1; passed out, 1; lawn mower accidents, 1; cancer, 1; multiple contusions, 1; miscellaneous, 1.

WOW meeting called off

Woodmen of the World Grove 6073, will not meet as scheduled on May 25, according to Ralph Reynolds.

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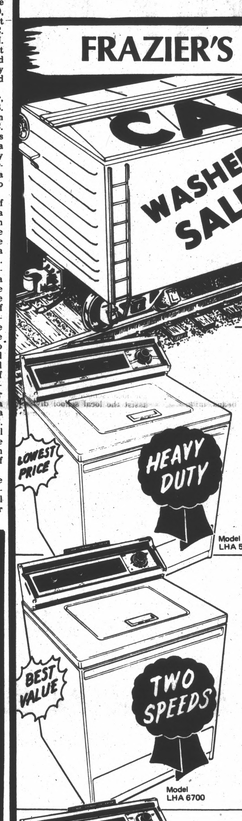

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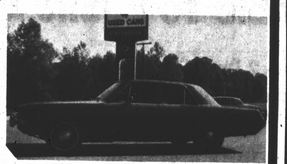
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AT THE SECOND ANNUAL Antique Car Show held Staturday, May 16 at Lawson Ford, Inc. approximately 50 entries were judged. Winners were declared as follows: Best In The Show, 1956 Plymouth Fury - Owner, Otis Vallestro of Lynchburg; ANTIQUE, 1st, #42, 1913 T-Model, Rand Shelton, Lynchburg; 2nd, #47, 1930 Model A, Preston Staton, Concord; 3rd, #39, 1918 Franklin, Ed Wyle, Appomattox; CLASSICS, 1st, #33, 1965 Mustang Conv., Susan Fouts' 2nd, #27, 1961 Corvette, Dennis Gripp; 3rd, #25, 1965 Dodge Conv., Jones Elliott; SPECIALITY, 1st, #8, 1923 Ford Street Rod, John Brew; 2nd, #16, 1949 Mercury, Larry Blair; 3rd, #45, 1965 Mustang, 4 + 4, Ed Wilson. "I think our second annual Antique Car Show was most successful," said Bill Allen Burke, general manager of Lawson Ford, Inc., "and we had a wide variety of cars entered. It was a good show and good entertainment for the whole family."

MARVIN GLOVER, President of the Appomattox Farm Bureau crowns the 1981 Miss Farm Bureau, Donna Robinson.

WINNERS OF THE FARM BUREAU Style Revue [L to r.] Cheryl Walton, Wendy McClenny and Mrs. Martha Hudson.

Miss Robinson crowned

The Appomattox Farm Bureau held its annual spring dinner Saturday, May 9 at the Appomattox High School. Guests included the Rev. Danny Owens of the Elon Baptist Church, Pamplin, who gave the invocation and Mrs. Owens and Mr. W. R. (Ben) Wilkinson, District Field Service Representative of the Farm Bureau. Marvin Glover, president, presided.

Miss Donna Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Robinson, was crowned the 1981 Miss Farm Bureau. Donna is eligible to attend the State contest to be held in Norfolk this December.

The Style Revue, narrated by Mrs. Shirley Walton, was conducted on three levels. Winners of the Youth Division were: 1st place, Wendy McClenny and 2nd place, Jill Hudson. Junior Division winners were 1st place Cheryl Walton; 2nd place Sherry Roope. The 1st place winners in the Senior Division was Mrs. Martha Hudson, 2nd place Mrs. Geraldine Marshall and 3rd place Mrs. Fannie Farrar.

Allen Smith and David Hancock provided musical entertainment following the supper.

Senior FFA team places second

The Appomattox Senior FFA Crops Judging teams placed second in the senior division and third in the junior division at the annual Hub Federation Crops Judging Contest held at William Campbell High School on May 14.

Senior team members were Robert Coleman, Glenn McClenny and Cecil Jacobs.

The junior team members were Chris Tolley, Timmy Almond and Sarah Simpson.

Robert Coleman was the second highest individual scorer in the contest.

AMS Menu

Wed., May 20 - Sub. sandwiches, potato chips, strawberry shortcake, milk.

Thurs., May 21 - Lasagne, green beans, pear half, roll, milk.

Fri., May 22 - Hot dog on bun, buttered corn, peach cobbler, milk.

Mon., May 26 - Batter dipped fish, buttered corn, cole slaw, roll, milk.

Wed., May 27 - Hamburger Steak/Gravy, whipped potatoes, green peas, hot roll, milk.

Thurs., May 28 - Pizza, tossed salad, peaches, milk.

Fri., May 29 - Beans and franks, cole slaw, apple sauce, hot roll, milk.

Primary menu

Mon., May 25 - No School.

Tues., May 26 - Chicken salad, lima beans, beets, roll, butter, milk.

Wed., May 27 - Chuck wagon pattie, peas and carrots, potato puffs, roll, butter, milk.

Thurs., May 28 - Hamburger on bun, corn and black eye peas, fruit, milk.

Fri., May 29 - Chicken, french fries, string beans, milk.

Elementary Menu

Wed., May 20 - Beef-a-roni w/cheese, tomato and lettuce, hot rolls, applesauce, milk.

Thurs., May 21 - Pork steak w/gravy, hot rolls, green peas, whipped potatoes, fruit, milk.

Fri., May 22 - Tuna salad on lettuce leaf, baby lima beans, carrots, strawberry short cake, milk.

Mon., May 25 - Memorial Day

Tues., May 26 - Meatloaf, hot rolls, seasoned greens, creamed poatoes, peaches, milk.

Wed., May 27 - Hot dog on bun, coleslaw, pork and beans, apple cobbler, milk.

Thurs., May 28 - Beef and cheese pizza, tomato and lettuce salad, buttered corn, applesauce, milk.

Fri., May 29 - Oven fried chicken, potato chips, macaroni salad, banana, ice cream, oatmeal cookie, milk.

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Local troubleshooters finish second

The Halifax FFA tractor troubleshooting team took first place in the Southside Area contest at Goodman's Truck and Tractor Company at Amelia. Team members are Mark Harris and David Owen.

The **Appomattox FFA team** was runner-up. The Appomattox team is composed of Richard Jones and Donnie Steadman. Third place went to the Randolph-Henry team - Berkeley Dunnavant and Warren Guill. Placing fourth was Cumberland with team members, Steve Morris and Joe Covington.

Local FFA big winner

The Appomattox County Senior FFA Chapter has been judged area winner of the 1981 FFA Chapter Contest. In selecting the area winner, the committee considered the accomplishments of 35 local chapters in the 14-county area.

The Appomattox County Senior FFA chapter has 212 active members. In cooperation with other school and community organizations, the chapter conducted an outstanding Building Our American Communities program. The chapter worked with seven school and community organizations in BOAC and safety activities.

The chapter participated in a scholarship improvement program and conducted five leadership improvement activities.

The chapter's accomplishments will be considered along with those of five other area winners for the state award. Presentation of the state award will be a feature of the State FFA Convention in Blacksburg, June 16-19.

IN CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL PLANT-A-TREE DAY, Wednesday, May 6, 1981, a tree planting ceremony, attended by faculty and students, was held at Pamplin Elementary School.

The beautiful white pine, a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Warren Taylor, was planted by students of the sixth grade following a short address to the assembled group concerning the importance of trees in our lives, and expressions of gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor for their gift. The ceremony was concluded by recitation of the poem, "Planting a Tree" by Mrs. Nancy M. Dickerson and singing of "America" led by Mrs. Debbie Hackney.

Advisory committee to meet

The Advisory Committee for Special Education in the Appomattox County Public Schools will meet on Monday, June 1, at 7:30 p.m. at the School Board Annex.

Members of this committee are Mr. Bruce Williams, Mrs. Virginia Babcock, Mrs. Brenda Richardson, Mrs. William Walker, Mrs. Jesse Johnson, Jr., Mrs. Cecil Nash, Mrs. W. C. Davis, Mrs. Edmonia Langhorne, Mr. Herbert Chambers, Mr. Roland Murphy, Mrs. Pat Torrence, Mrs. Sarah Summers, Mrs. Nancy Lisa, Mrs. Lola Jackson, Dr. A.A. Fratrick, Mr. Lloyd Walton and Mrs. Jean Hesson.

The functions of the local advisory committee are to advise the local school division of unmet needs in the education of handicapped children; assist the local division in the formulation and development of long-range plans which will provide services needed for handicapped children; participate in the development of priorities and strategies for meeting the identified needs of handicapped children through the division superintendent to the local school board; and to assist the local school division in interpreting, to the community, plans for meeting the special needs of handicapped children for educational needs.

Interested citizens may contact any of the committee members if they have suggestions which they would like to offer for consideration during the meeting on June 1, or at any time during the year.

Ag teachers to meet

About sixty agricultural education teachers in Southside Virginia are expected to attend a conference in the Randolph-Henry High School, Thursday, May 21.

B. K. Waddell, instructor of agricultural education in the Appomattox County High School, and president of the 14-county group, will preside over the sessions which will begin at 4:30 p.m.

Among those scheduled to appear on the program are Peter Senger, Buckingham County High School; E. S. Harman, Liberty High School; H. H. Higgins, Amherst County High School; G. T. Mitchell, Rustburg Middle School; and Matt Yeatman, State Reporter, FFA; Forest, Virginia.

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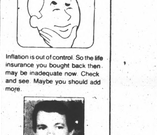
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